BIRTH AT WORTHINGTON RAILWAY STATION

On Monday, 12th April, 1897, a woman named Kate XXXX who lived at Worthington needed for some reason to go to Derby. Kate did not have much money and despite being pregnant decided to walk to Derby - a 14 mile walk! Having concluded her business in Derby, Kate was so tired that she caught the train back to Worthington railway station, where she gave birth to a child. Some commotion was caused by the event, and it was thought best by the officials to have Kate and the child conveyed home. Accordingly a milk float was procured, and with Kate seated in a chair with the baby in her arms, it was driven to her home. On reaching this destination, sadly, Kate discovered that the baby was dead. According to the police constable: "No one knows if the child was born dead or alive." The facts were reported to the Coroner, who did not deem an inquest necessary.